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Dr. Robert L. Johnson
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Dear Bob:

I very much appreciate your letter of August 10th and the copy of George Hardikian's book which I have now received.

I met Hardikian when I was on the West Coast a few months ago and was most favorably impressed.

I am about to take off on a fairly extended trip abroad and will look forward to some pleasant reading while on the plane - you couldn't have picked a better time to send me this book.

Again, many thanks.

Faithfully,

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Dear Allen:

Probably the most fascinating book that has come my way in a long while is "Song of America" by George Mardikian. George is an old friend of mine who came to this country many years ago as an emigrant boy from Armenia. He is now one of the most powerful influences for good in California and although he is a very rich man, he has already given away many hundreds of thousands of dollars to charity and needy Armenians in this country.

I thought I would like to share this book with a few of my good friends and I am sending you a copy under separate cover. I hope you will enjoy it.

Sincerely yours,

Robert L. Johnson

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